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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VOTING RIGHTS DEFENSE PROJECT, et
 al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALEX PADILLA, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. C-16-02739

DECLARATION OF SVETLANA CHYETTE

Date: 6/1/16

Time: 11:00 am

Dept: 8, Hon. William Alsup

I, SVETLANA CHYETTE, declare:

1. I am a resident of Oakland, in Alameda County.
2. I am a student at Berkeley City College and a first-time poll worker in Alameda County. I knew nothing of crossover voting before this month.

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- 1 3. I had not met Dawn DelMonte before we found ourselves sitting next to each other at
2 a poll worker training on May 19 in Alameda County that is the subject of this
3 declaration. I recall that our trainer's first name was Ricardo.
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- 5 4. During the training, Ricardo was showing a slide about how NPP meant no party
6 preference. It wasn't clear how to instruct these voters.
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- 8 5. Dawn asked what it meant for NPPs to be "crossing over", and the person behind her
9 gave her a hard time for interrupting Ricardo's presentation.
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- 11 6. I then asked "what do we do when someone gets an NPP ballot and doesn't realize
12 that the ballot does not include a vote for president"?
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- 14 7. The way Ricardo trained us, I was given the distinct impression that the voter was
15 supposed to know that the ballot did not include a presidential option, and we were
16 not supposed to inform them of the presidential vote option.
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- 18 8. The people behind us then objected, saying things like it was a deliberate decision by
19 the no party preference voters not to vote for president. A chaotic situation then
20 ensued.
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- 22 9. Ricardo then explained if an NPP person came back to the booth and said that they
23 didn't get a chance to vote for President, you can spoil the ballot and then give them a
24 new one.
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- 26 10. I left not understanding how a crossover ballot worked, and that we were not
27 supposed to inform NPP voters of their right to receive a presidential ballot. It was
28 made clear that if they didn't ask for one, they didn't get one.

1 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my
2 personal knowledge. Executed in Oakland, Alameda County, California on June 1,
3 2016.

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PLAINTIFFS' FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

1 Proof of Service

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3 I am not a party to this action. On May 20, 2016, I caused a copy of the Summons and Complaint
4 and the ADR packet to be served to:

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6 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 20,
7 2016, in Oakland, California.

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10 WILLIAM M. SIMPICH